Quakertown Community School District

FINANCE/ FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING Thursday, June 5, 2014– 6:00 pm

Minutes

FINANCE COMMITTEE

2014-15 Proposed Final Budget-Bob Riegel, Business Administrator for Quakertown Community SD, provided the committee with a handout showing an expenditure budget of \$96,223,730 including an \$800,000 Budgetary Reserve. The draft budget showed a 1.9% increase in taxes which is an overall increase in taxes of \$1,049,761. For the average taxpayer that would be an increase of \$72. The committee was reminded that earlier in the year the school board voted to eliminate the Per Capita tax of \$10 which would leave taxpayers with a net tax increase of \$62. The budget also showed a shortfall of \$999,020. \$719,725 of that shortfall will be covered from the uncommitted fund balance and the remainder \$279,295 from the committed fund balance for PSERS Rate Stabilization. There was some review and discussion of the revenue and expenditure sides of the budget.

There was also some discussion about the Pay-to-Play.

<u>Copier Proposal</u>-The committee reviewed the details of a 48-month lease of 54 copiers. The district had 57 copiers, but decided to remove 3 underutilized machines in order to reduce costs. The annual cost of \$209,388 is a reduction of \$56,064 from the 48-month lease the district had with Canon from 2010-11 through 2013-14.

FACILITIES COMMITTEE

High School Renovation Tour/Update-George Moore from Architectural Studios and Norm Long from Turner Construction provided a tour of the Phase 1 areas of the building and explained how the contractors were progressing in each area. Most areas in Phase 1 were slated to be completed by either August 14, 2014 or December 14, 2014. The committee looked at the administration offices, the library media center, the cyber commons area, the lecture hall, the auditorium, the band and chorus area, the auxiliary gym, and the fitness room. Each was in varying stages of completion, but was on time or projected to be early.

High School Renovation Change Orders-George Moore from Architectural Studios went potential over General Construction (\$124,707.83), Plumbing (\$18,020.00), and Electric (\$10,369.00) Change Orders. All except two were recommended by the Committee. G-022(\$21,980.61) to relocate the door between the

Storage/Workshop and Stage in the auditorium was to be voted on by the full board. G-023(\$86,260.00) to provide outfield fencing for the baseball and softball fields was to be tabled until the committee received more information.

<u>Artificial Turf Update</u>-Permits were to be received by the following week and work was to commence approximately 3 to 4 weeks late with a completion date at the end of July.

Milford Paving and the district wide pothole repair bid results-Bid Results came in favorable enough that the committee recommended paving the the whole rear parking area at Milford MS instead of paving the entranceway area and sealcoating the remaining parking area. Total cost is \$212,195.30.

MMS/Science Labs at MMS-The committee reviewed options for replacing the cabinets and countertops in 5 science labs at Milford MS. The cost estimates came in at approximately \$25,000 per room. The committee recommended going out to bid for one of the classrooms and see how the pricing comes in.

<u>Visiting Team Locker Room</u>-The committee looked at pictures of a prefabricated visitor locker room and the committee was impressed. A 24'x50' Field House would cost \$110,000. Adding Bathrooms and a coach and officials locker room would be an additional \$85,000 and to add a concession stand would be \$52,000.